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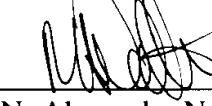
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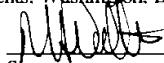
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Miami University, a University in the State of Ohio, states that it is the Assignee of the entire right, title, and interest in U.S. Patent No. 6,179,999 by virtue of an express assignment of the entire right, title, and interest in the patent from the named inventors to Miami University. The assignment was recorded in the United States Patent and Trademark Office at Reel 010325, Frame 0819, a copy of which is attached hereto. As a result of the attached assignment, Assignee is also the owner of the entire right, title, and interest in all continuation and divisional applications based upon U.S. Patent No. 6,179,999. Therefore, Assignee is the owner of the entire right, title, and interest in the above identified continuation application, which is based upon U.S. Patent No. 6,179,999.

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